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In the Claims

Please add new claims 49-54. The new claims are provided below in clean form. For convenience, all pending claims, including those added hereby, are provided in Appendix A.

- 49. (New) A composition comprising sulfur trioxide (SO₃) in a supercritical state, wherein the composition is a composition for removing exposed organic material from an object.
- 50. (New) A composition comprising sulfur trioxide (SO₃) in a supercritical state and an oxidizer, wherein the composition is a composition for removing exposed organic material from an object.
- 51. (New) A composition comprising:

a first component selected from the group consisting of carbon dioxide (CO_2), ammonia (NH_3), H_2O , nitrous oxide (N_2O), carbon monoxide (N_2O), nitrogen (N_2), helium (N_2O), argon (N_2), krypton (N_2), and xenon (N_2);

a second component selected from the group consisting of sulfur dioxide (SO₂), nitrous oxide (N₂O), NO, NO₂, ozone (O₃), hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂), F₂, Cl₂, Br₂, and oxygen (O₂); and sulfur trioxide (SO₃) in a supercritical state, wherein the composition is a composition for removing exposed organic material from an object.

- 52. (New) A composition comprising sulfur trioxide (SO₃) in a supercritical state, wherein the composition is a composition for removing exposed organic material from a substrate assembly.
- 53. (New) A composition comprising sulfur trioxide (SO₃) in a supercritical state and an oxidizer, wherein the composition is a composition for removing exposed organic material from a substrate assembly.



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54. (New) A composition comprising:

a first component selected from the group consisting of carbon dioxide (CO_2), ammonia (NH_3), H_2O , nitrous oxide (N_2O), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen (N_2), helium (N_2O), argon (N_2O), argon (N_2O), and xenon (N_2O);

a second component selected from the group consisting of sulfur dioxide (SO₂), nitrous oxide (N₂O), NO, NO₂, ozone (O₃), hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂), F₂, Cl₂, Br₂, and oxygen (O₂); and sulfur trioxide (SO₃) in a supercritical state, wherein the composition is a composition for removing exposed organic material from a substrate assembly.

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